

STATE OF NEW JERSEY EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

## Proclamation

WHEREAS, August 28, 2013 is the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the March on Washington and the "I have a Dream" speech by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Martin Luther King Commemorative Commission is recognizing the historic importance of this anniversary; and

WHEREAS, Dr. King's words still reflect our hopes and aspirations for all Americans: "I still have a dream. It is a dream deeply rooted in the American dream... I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character;" and

WHEREAS, this 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary provides an opportunity to reflect on the progress we have achieved in our state and nation and on the important work that lies before us;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRIS CHRISTIE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, join with the New Jersey Martin Luther King Commemorative Commission in celebrating this historic speech and great vision for our country, and urge residents to join me in honoring the significance of this anniversary and Dr. King's exemplary achievements.



GIVEN, under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Jersey, this seventh day of August in the year two thousand thirteen, the two hundred thirty-eighth year of the Independence of the United States.

Kim Gulagus

Lt. GOVERNOR

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**GOVERNOR**